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TO: The Vice President
 The Secretary of State
 The Secretary of Defense

ALSO: The Secretary of the Treasury
 The Attorney General
 The Secretary of Labor
 The Secretary of Health, Education,
 and Welfare
 The Director, Office of Management
 and Budget
 The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
 The Director of Central Intelligence
 The Postmaster General
 The Director, ACTION
 The Director-Designate, Selective Service
 System
 The Director, Federal Emergency Management
 Agency

SUBJECT: President's Plan for Selective Service System
 Reform (U)

The President has directed that the Policy Review Committee, under the Chairmanship of the Office of Management and Budget, undertake such studies and deliberations as are necessary to develop a broad Presidential Plan for Selective Service System Reform as will be called for in the 1980 Defense Authorization Act. The final plan should be prepared for transmission by the President to the Congress on January 15, 1980.

The plan should address the following ten issues:

- resuming registration under present law;
- automatically registering persons using existing records and a centralized computer;
- timing of classification and examination of registrants;

- improvements necessary in SSS operations and organization so as to make it capable of meeting DOD requirements;
- changes appropriate in law relating to registration, classification, selection and induction;
- desirability of extending authority to the President to induct persons into the Armed Forces, at his discretion;
- registration and/or induction of women;
- desirability of extending authority to the President to induct persons into the Individual Ready Reserves;
- other options that would enable the Armed Forces to meet their personnel requirements; and
- desirability of establishing a national youth service program, in the interest of preserving discipline and morale in the Armed Forces.

The Director, Office of Management and Budget, will provide information on agency participation and processes to accomplish the preparation of the Plan.



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